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University Academic Leadership Forum set for Sept. 17

The inaugural session of the University Academic Leadership Forum is set for 4:05 to 5:05 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, in 7 Gamble Hall.

This open forum for the University Community with the provost and deans will begin with the Provost's and Deans' discussion of some key items that are likely to be of interest to a large segment of our University community, followed by an open question-and-answer period during which the audience is invited to ask questions of the Provost and the Deans on matters relating to the University's academic mission.

Agenda topics for the initial session will include:

- continuity of academic instruction under pandemic flu conditions (and other emergencies)
- strategic prioritizing within the University

[submission of questions in advance would be helpful in preparing for the forum - they can be e-mailed to conniegagelin@mail.und.nodak.edu]

The Deans and the Provost will be experimenting this year with some ways to enhance communication and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the decisionmaking process. One element being introduced is the University Academic Leadership Forum.

The Forum will be an opportunity for all members of the UND community - faculty, students, staff, administrators - to bring to the Provost and the Deans any questions, suggestions, concerns or comments about the way in which the University is fulfilling its academic mission, and for the academic leadership to share information and ideas.

Because the State Board of Higher Education is meeting on campus the day of the first Forum, the members of the Board and the Chancellor of the North Dakota University System have been invited to observe the inaugural session.

The University Academic Leadership Forum is not intended to replace the work of the University Senate, which remains the campus-wide policymaking body with authority delegated from the President and the University Council.

The University Academic Leadership Forum is also not intended to be a substitute for a robust academic governance process where issues are appropriately addressed within the programs, departments, schools, and colleges.

The plan is for a Forum to be held twice a semester, once near the beginning and again near the end of the semester. The first of the sessions can help to inform the topics that need to be addressed during the semester, with the second being a progress/status report on issues that have been raised.

On behalf of the Provost's Office and the Deans, we look forward to your participation in this and future sessions of our new University Academic Leadership Forum. -- Paul LeBel, Provost.

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University Faculty Lecture Series begins with Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor Mike Gaffey

The University Faculty Lecture Series kicks off its 2009-10 season Sept. 10 with “Dinosaurs or Nickel Mines: What are the Risks and Rewards of Near Earth Asteroids?” by Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor Mike Gaffey. The event starts with a reception at 4 p.m. and presentation at 4:30 p.m. in the North Dakota Museum of Art on campus.

Mike Gaffey, a professor in the UND John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences Department of Space Studies, is an internationally respected researcher in the fields of planetary sciences, asteroids and near-Earth objects. Gaffey is regularly consulted by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in his areas of expertise and is an advisor to NASA’s DAWN mission to two large asteroids.

Gaffey’s numerous accomplishments in the field of planetary sciences are widely recognized at the highest national levels. In 2006, he was presented both the Leonard Medal from the Meteoritic Society and the Gilbert Award from the Geological Society of America. At the 2007 UND Founders Day banquet, he was presented the UND Foundation/Thomas J. Clifford Faculty Achievement award for Excellence in Research.

“Professor Gaffey’s enthusiasm for discovering new knowledge is very evident in his instructional activities,” wrote one nominator for his Chester Fritz Distinguished Professorship. “Many students are enamored by his vast expertise in the planetary sciences field, and easily sense his genuine interest in disseminating new knowledge.” Another nominator observed, “Dr. Gaffey contributes much of his success to his students, providing an enormously stimulating learning environment for each of them.”

Gaffey earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in geology at the University of Iowa and his Ph.D. in earth and planetary sciences at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has been a faculty member in UND’s Department of Space Studies since 2001. He previously taught at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and worked as a scientist and team member with numerous endeavors, including NASA’s Near-Earth Asteroid Rendezvous (NEAR) spacecraft mission, the New York Center for Studies of the Origin of Life, and the Hawaii Institute of Geophysics at the University of Hawaii.

Gaffey has more than 95 publications in prestigious peer-reviewed journals, as well as nearly 250 abstracts. He has received more than \$8 million in external support for his projects.

Gaffey’s Web site: <http://www.space.edu/gaffey.asp>

The University Faculty Lecture Series has been held regularly on campus since 1997, when a group comprising senior faculty members and Chester Fritz Distinguished Professors Richard Beringer, Elizabeth Hampsten, Bill Sheridan, and Sharon Wilsnack along with Peter Johnson, proposed a renewal of this forum to celebrate the diversity and excellence of scholarship at UND. Then-president Kendall Baker provided encouragement and financial support, and the series was re-launched. President Kelley is continuing that tradition of encouragement and support for the series.

A key goal of the University Faculty Lecture Series is to bring together the campus community and the community at large to “recognize the university as a unique institution in society, an academic community with scholarly roles and contributions that go beyond, but at the same time enrich, its own educational programs.”

The University Faculty Lecture Series cultivates a stronger academic atmosphere by offering a forum for distinguished faculty members selected across the disciplines to talk about their scholarly lives and what drives their research. According to the guidelines of the organizers, each lecture presents, “with some depth and rigor, the scholarly questions and goals of the individual faculty. In presenting the products of their scholarship, the Lecturers will share the enthusiasm and dedication that sustains their creative efforts.”

All of the lectures are free and open to the public.

-- Juan Pedraza, Writer/Editor, University Relations, juanpedraza@mail.und.edu, 777-6571

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Atmospheric Sciences seminar is Sept. 10

Aaron Kennedy, graduate Ph.D. Student in the Department of Atmospheric Sciences, will present a seminar on "A Summary of VORTEX-2" at 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, 210 Clifford Hall.

The Verification of the Origins of Rotation in Tornadoes Experiment (VORTEX) 2 is the largest field project ever attempted to study tornadoes and their parent thunderstorms. The project combines numerous radars, aerial platforms, and ground observations into one large "armada" to document numerous scales of motion. Running for one month during 2009, and an additional seven weeks during 2010, the field project has already captured several high-quality datasets. This talk will summarize the project's goals, instrumentation, and discuss some of the cases from a qualitative standpoint by incorporating photography and first-hand experience from the speaker.

The seminar is free and open to the public. Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to attend.

-- Wanda Seyler, Administrative Secretary, Atmospheric Sciences, seyler@aero.und.edu, 777-3884

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Center for Human Rights and Genocide Studies welcomes Visiting Fellow Margaret E. McGuinness

The Center for Human Rights and Genocide Studies (CHRGs) will host Visiting Fellow Margaret E. McGuinness, a leading international law and human rights scholar and former special assistant to Warren Christopher, Secretary of State during former President Bill Clinton's first term.

On Sept. 10-11, McGuinness will speak to the community on the globalization of human rights and answer questions on international human rights law.

McGuinness, an associate professor at the University of Missouri School of Law, teaches international law, international human rights, international dispute resolution, foreign affairs, and federal courts.

"As a founder of international law's most influential Web site, *Opinio Juris*, and a member of the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law, Professor McGuinness is one of the rising stars in her field," said UND law professor Gregory Gordon, director of the UND Center for Human Rights and Genocide Studies. "We are extremely fortunate to have her as a Visiting Fellow."

On Thursday, Sept. 10, 7 p.m., McGuinness will deliver a lecture in the East Asian Room of the Chester Fritz Library on "The Globalization of Human Rights and the End of American Exceptionalism." The event is free and open to the public. She will discuss the paradoxical role of the United States as a leader and architect of the modern international human rights system and a lone wolf refusing to embrace and fully participate in the system it created.

McGuinness will grapple with the question of whether, in a post-9/11 world, it is possible for the U.S. to partake of international trade regimes and engage in conflicts and law enforcement operations around the globe without fully embracing international human rights institutional oversight. She will also consider what role, in light of the maturing of the international human rights system, foreign and international law should play in interpreting

rights under the U.S. Constitution.

On Friday, Sept. 11, at 12:10 p.m. in the UND School of Law's Baker Court Room, McGuinness and Gordon will conduct a question-and-answer session on international human rights law. In addition to U.S. human rights exceptionalism, the session may cover front-page topics such as possible solutions to Guantanamo detainee issues, the Iranian post-election crisis, widespread sexual violence in Congo, and genocide in Darfur.

The event is co-sponsored by the UND student International Human Rights Organization and Physicians for Human Rights. McGuinness will also be guest-lecturing that day to an International Human Rights Law class at the UND School of Law.

On Monday, Sept. 14 at 12:15 p.m., McGuinness will participate in a workshop with other UND faculty to discuss her scholarship.

McGuinness' work addresses the subjects of international human rights, international law in U.S. courts, the resolution of international disputes, multilateralism, and war. It has been published in a variety of edited books and journals, including the American Journal of International Law, Yale Law Journal Online, and the Notre Dame Law Review. McGuinness is co-editor with John Barton and Melanie Greenberg of the book "Words Over War: Arbitration and Mediation to End Deadly Conflict" (Rowman & Littlefield 2000).

McGuinness graduated with distinction from Stanford Law School, where she received awards for her work in dispute resolution and international law, served as an articles editor for the Stanford Law Review, and was selected as a graduate fellow at the Center for Conflict and Negotiation.

She joined the Missouri law faculty in 2003 after clerking for Judge Colleen McMahon on the Federal District Court for the Southern District New York and practicing law in the litigation department of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York City.

Prior to law school, McGuinness was a Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of State. Her overseas postings included vice consul at the U.S. Consulate in Montreal, Canada; staff assistant to Ambassador Robert Oakley and political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan; and political-military officer at the U.S. Embassy Office in Berlin, Germany. In Washington, D.C., she worked in the State Department's Operations Center and served as a special assistant to Clinton-era Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

"With her high level work at the State Department and her brilliant scholarship in the legal academy, she brings here a rich human rights perspective that will enhance intellectual vibrancy both on campus and in the wider community," Gordon said.

McGuinness co-founded and is a regular contributor to *Opinio Juris*, the leading international law blog. She has been a visiting professor at the University of Georgia and Temple University, and a visiting scholar at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies.

-- Juan Pedraza, *Writer/Editor, University Relations*, Juanpedraza@mail.und.edu, 777-6571

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Winona LaDuke to lead "Transition to Change" mini-summit

The Office of Multicultural Student Services (OMSS) is hosting renowned Native American activist, writer, and environmentalist Winona LaDuke for a mini-summit titled "Transition to Change: Moving Toward a Just Community" on Thursday, Sept. 10, at 1:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union River Valley Room.

LaDuke also will participate in a tree planting ceremony at 9:30 a.m. at the Era Bell Thompson Multicultural Center. There will be a reception following the tree planting at the center at 10 a.m.

LaDuke, an Anishinaabekwe (Ojibwe) enrolled member of the Mississippi Band Anishinaabeg, lives and works on the White Earth Reservations. As program director of the Honor the Earth Fund, she works on a national level to advocate, raise public support, and create funding for frontline native environmental groups. Honor the Earth works nationally and internationally on environmental justice and sustainability issues in Indigenous communities. LaDuke, the author of five books, also works as founding director for White Earth Land Recovery Project. She is perhaps best known nationally for her run on the Green Party ticket as the vice presidential choice of Ralph Nader in the 2000 election.

LaDuke graduated from Harvard University in 1982 with a degree in rural economic development. She was named Woman of the Year by Ms. Magazine in 1997 and won the Reebok Human Rights award in 1998. In 1994, LaDuke was nominated by Time magazine as one of America's fifty most promising leaders under forty years of age. She was also inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 2007.

The mini-summit is presented by OMSS in conjunction with the Multicultural Awareness Committee (a standing committee of the UND Student Government), the College of Education & Human Development, the Era Bell Thompson Multicultural Center, American Indian Student Services, Students for a Democratic Society, and the Department of Educational Foundations & Research.

-- Juan Pedraza, Writer/Editor, University Relations, juanpedraza@mail.und.edu, 777-6571

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Two special Denim Days will take place in September

President Kelley has approved two special Denim Days for September, so mark your calendars now. Both Friday, Sept. 11, and Friday, Sept. 18, are special Denim Days.

The Denim Day on Friday, Sept. 11, will benefit the Altru Cancer Center's first annual Breast Cancer Awareness Conference (Oct. 24). If you are donating by check, please make it payable to "Breast Cancer Awareness Conference c/o Altru Cancer Center".

In conjunction with State Employee Recognition week, the Denim Day on Friday, Sept. 18, will benefit the Salvation Army's "Christmas Toy Shop." The Toy Shop has delivered toys at Christmas for over 15 years and last year supported 697 children in our area. If you are donating by check, please make it payable to "Salvation Army".

-- Patsy Nies, Special Project Assistant, Enrollment Services, patsynies@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3791

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Next episode of WHY? features "Justice Caring and the Mentally Disabled" with Eva Kittay

The radio show "Why? Philosophical Discussions about Everyday Life", hosted by UND professor of Philosophy Jack Russell Weinstein, presents "Justice, Caring, and the Mentally Disabled" with Eva Feder Kittay. The program will start at 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, and will be broadcast live on 89.3 FM in Grand Forks, other Prairie Public radio stations across the state, in Winnipeg on Shaw Cable, 107.9, and online for anyone who wants it around the world at www.whyradioshow.org.

Modern political philosophy has argued that justice requires full equality for those who can both carry the burdens and get the benefits from participating in social cooperation. But what about those who cannot fulfill these obligations because of limited mental capacities? Are these people still due justice, and if so, what sort of

equality could we expect to grant them? In other words, what do we owe to those among us who are not capable of participating in society in typical ways because of their cognitive limitations? These, and other questions, will be the focus of discussion with Eva Kittay, author of the highly influential book “Love’s Labor: Essays on Women, Equality, and Dependency”. Does justice presuppose participation, and what happens when we shift the obligation from duty to caring for others? This discussion will get to the core of what we believe we owe others and what it means to live in a society where difference means more than just religious, ethnic, or political difference. It goes to the heart of what it means to be human in society.

Eva Feder Kittay is a professor of Philosophy at State University of New York, Stony Brook. She has authored and edited numerous books on a range of topics, with an emphasis on feminism, political thought, and disability studies. She is a Senior Fellow at the Center for Medical Humanities, Compassionate Care, and Bioethics at Stony Brook. Her forthcoming book, “Cognitive Disability and Its Challenge to Moral Philosophy”, continues many of the themes of her earlier work, including emphasizing the way in which traditional philosophy has passed over the concerns of a large spectrum of humanity.

Jack Russell Weinstein remarks, “Having Eva Kittay on the show is tremendously exciting. Reading Love’s Labor changed my own work forever and forced me to look at the world, and at justice, in an entirely different way. This is a discussion that will tear at your heart while challenging you intellectually.”

Have a question you want to ask Eva in advance? Send it to askwhy@und.edu. Subscribe to the podcast or listen to previous episodes online at www.whyradioshow.org. Stay tuned for more. Upcoming guests include: Martha Nussbaum, Michael Apple, and Amelie Rorty.

-- Jack Russell Weinstein, Associate Professor, Philosophy and Religion, jack.weinstein@und.nodak.edu, 777-2887

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Farewell reception for Linda Rains is Sept. 14

The Memorial Union Staff invite you to a farewell reception honoring Linda Rains, assistant director for Student Involvement. Linda has accepted a position at Pikes Peak Community College as the director of Retention Services, and will be leaving UND shortly.

The Farewell Reception will be held on Monday, Sept. 14 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union, Center for Student Involvement & Leadership. Please join us in wishing Linda well.

-- Cassie Gerhardt, Asst. Director for Leadership & Assessment, Memorial Union, cassiegerhardt@mail.und.edu, 777-3667

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Black comedy "Bright Ideas" lights up the Fire Hall Theatre

The Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre presents “Bright Ideas,” Eric Cobel’s gleeful, Macbeth-ian black comedy about the nurturing instinct gone haywire. The production runs Sept. 17-19 and 24-26 at 7:30 p.m., with Sunday Matinees Sept. 13 and 20 at 2 p.m. All productions are at the Fire Hall Theatre in Downtown Grand Forks.

How far would you go for your child? For Geneva (Marie Strinden) and Joshua (Todd Chrzanowski) Bradley, the question is no longer hypothetical. Their three-year-old son, Mac, is next on the waiting list to get into the Bright Ideas Early Childhood Development Academy (despite the fact they registered him the day he was born), and everyone knows once you’re in there, your life will unfold with glorious ease.

Believe it or not: “A recent headline from Bloomberg News announced, “Manhattan Preschools Become Harder

to Get Into Than Harvard"; an article in The New York Sun proclaimed, "Preschool Directors Balk at Toddler Resumes"; ABC's Nightline aired a two-part series, "Exclusive: Inside the Cutthroat Preschool Wars"; and the documentary film, "Nursery University", tracked five sets of parents as they applied to top New York nursery schools known as feeder schools to top primary schools, which feed into top high schools, which will get you into Harvard, Yale, Princeton or Columbia, and eventual positions of power around the world.

Everyone knows that attending a prestigious preschool is one's ticket to a successful future and shining career; if he doesn't get in, he's doomed to a life of misery. So the fretting couple takes matters into their own hands, with dire and downright Shakespearean results. Macbeth meets MacParenting in this wickely funny comedy of homicidal proportions. You may never look at preschool, or pesto, the same way again. Rounding out the cast are Jenny Morris, Rebecca Olson, and Cory Carivau.

For information on tickets, call 777-4090.

-- Benjamin Klipfel, Executive Director, Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre, ben@benklipfel.net, 701-746-0847

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Phil Hogen on campus to speak Sept. 15

Phil Hogen, National Indian Gaming Commission Chair, will serve as the Inaugural Distinguished Public Administrator in Residence, jointly sponsored by the School of Law and the College of Business and Public Administration.

Hogen's visit will be highlighted with a keynote address titled "Achievements and Challenges in Indian Gaming from the Perspective of the National Indian Gaming Commission" at 4 p.m., Sept. 15, in the UND School of Law Baker Courtroom.

Immediately following Hogen's keynote lecture, he will be joined by two members of First Nations University of Canada for a panel discussion on Aboriginal economic development and gaming. The participants will be Bob Kayseas, director of the School of Business and Public Administration, and Richard Missens, a professor in the Business school. The keynote lecture and panel discussion are free and open to the public.

President George W. Bush appointed Hogen to Chair the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) in the Fall of 2002. The NIGC is the independent federal regulatory agency created within the Department of the Interior by the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) to provide federal oversight for the Indian gaming industry, now involving more than 200 federally recognized Indian Tribes and more than 400 tribal gaming operations in 28 states.

Prior to his appointment as Chair of NIGC, Hogen served as the Associate Solicitor for the Division of Indian Affairs at the Department of the Interior. He earned his law degree at the University of South Dakota in 1970. Hogen is a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota and currently makes his home in the Black Hills.

While the keynote address is the highlight of his residency from September 14-16, 2009, Hogen will also serve as guest lecturer in both business and law school classes, meet with current students and faculty and spend time specifically with the Native American Law Student Association.

-- Rob Carolin, Director of Alumni & Public Relations, Law School, carolin@law.und.edu, 777-2856

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Conflict Resolution Center will conduct training on campus and in Bismarck

On Thursday, Sept. 17, the Conflict Resolution Center (CRC) will present "Difficult Conversations" from 8 a.m. to noon, and "The Lost Art of Listening", from 1 to 5 p.m., both at the REAC building on campus. Training is \$75 for each session or both for \$125. Contact the CRC at 777-3664 to register.

The Conflict Resolution Center will also conduct multi-track mediation training, Oct. 26-30, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the North Dakota State Capitol Building in Bismarck. Track I consists of 40-hour family mediation, and Track II will be 40-hour civil/workplace mediation. A third track, four-hours skills training, "The Art of Having Difficult Conversations", is set for Oct. 26, 1 to 5 p.m., at a cost of \$75 (this session only). Early bird registration for the first two tracks is \$775 before Oct. 1, and \$875 thereafter. Final registration date is Oct. 15. This is a great opportunity to learn transformative mediation and/or improve your skills. Credits available: ND/MN CLE, ND/MN ADR, NDAPA, HRCI, NDSWE, ND Counseling, 2 UND Grad Credits.

To register, call 777-3664, e-mail conflict.resolution@und.edu, or go to our site: <http://conflictresolution.und.edu>.
-- Conflict Resolution Center.

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Art & Wine Walk is Sept. 19

The North Valley Arts Council and the Greater Grand Forks Convention and Visitors Bureau are pleased to present the Art & Wine Walk on Saturday, Sept. 19 from 1 to 5 p.m. in downtown Grand Forks and East Grand Forks. The Walk takes place on the third Saturday of the month, May through October.

Stroll through downtown and view artwork by local artists at galleries, restaurants, and other business that serve wine or other non-alcoholic refreshment. Most artwork is available for sale, and artists will be on-hand to discuss their work. The Art & Wine Walk is a great way to experience downtown Grand Forks and East Grand Forks, view artwork by regional artists, and learn about the many and varied businesses downtown.

The Art & Wine Walk begins at the Blue Moose Bar & Grill in East Grand Forks or GuestHouse International in Grand Forks. Maps can be purchased for \$10 at either location. At participating businesses, maps will be stamped (wine consumption is not required to receive a stamp). Maps can be turned in at the closing reception at the Empire Arts Center to enter a drawing for a gift basket of prizes donated by participating businesses. The closing reception will also feature a champagne tasting, sponsored by Happy Harry's Bottle Shops.

To participate in the Art & Wine Walk, visit the Blue Moose Bar & Grill in East Grand Forks or the GuestHouse International in Grand Forks between 1 and 4 p.m. to purchase a map. A champagne tasting, sponsored by Happy Harry's Bottle Shops, will take place at 5 p.m. at the Empire Arts Center. Patrons over 21 will receive a wristband, allowing participation in wine tasting. Children under 12 accompanied by an adult receive free admission.

Art & Wine Walk 2009 event dates are Sept. 19 and Oct. 17.

The Art & Wine Walk is sponsored by the North Valley Arts Council and the Greater Grand Forks Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Empire Arts Center, the Blue Moose Bar & Grill, GuestHouse Town House & Muddy Rivers, Clear Channel Radio, Happy Harry's Bottle Shops, and Gilly's Bar & Grill.

To learn more about the Art & Wine Walk, visit www.culturepulse.org. To participate as a hosting business or an exhibiting artist, please contact the North Valley Arts Council at 777-6120 or info@novac.org.

-- Nicole Derenne, Executive Director, North Valley Arts Council, info@novac.org, 701-772-3710

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Housing Office seeks faculty and staff participation in Residence Hall Outreach program

The Housing Office is encouraging faculty and staff to participate in the second year of Residence Life House Calls. The House Calls program is a campus community-building initiative designed to reach out to students living in the residence halls and connect faculty/staff with residents. Over 150 volunteers are needed for the program.

This outreach program involves sending two faculty or staff members, plus a housing representative, out together on a wing or floor of a residence hall to knock on students' doors to see if they need assistance with anything. A resource handout will be provided to volunteers regarding topics of conversation such as involvement on campus, room issues, campus safety, or course advisement. This program lets students know that the university community cares and is willing to take time to interact with them one-on-one outside the classroom environment.

House Calls will take place in the residence halls Tuesday, Sept. 22, and Wednesday, Sept. 23. You are invited to take part in one night or both. The program runs from 6 to 9 p.m. each night, with an optional free dinner offered from 5 to 6 p.m. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please email cindyspencer@mail.und.edu or call 777-6281.

-- Cindy Spencer, Residence Life & Education Director, Housing, cindyspencer@mail.und.edu, 777-6281

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Center for Community Engagement presents second annual Alvin E. Austin writing workshop

The UND Center for Community Engagement will host the Alvin E. Austin Memorial writing workshop, "Your Legacy in Print: Writing Personal Experiences" Friday, Oct. 2, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., as a part of its fifth anniversary and Homecoming festivities.

Archie Hill is back to lead the workshop. Hill, a former UND journalism faculty member and a friend and colleague of Al Austin, promises user-friendly writing techniques that add vitality to memorable personal experiences.

Alvin E. Austin, who was a UND professor from 1946 to 1980 and chaired the Journalism Department for over 20 years, is remembered by colleagues and students as an outstanding teacher, mentor, and community member. Austin died in 1999. Austin's family created the Alvin E. Austin Memorial Fund at the Center for Community Engagement to continue his legacy.

The workshop is open to the community and is free for UND students. The cost of the workshop for non-students is \$20.

Those interested in participating in the seminar should contact the Center for Community Engagement at 777-0675 or cce@und.edu. Proceeds benefit the Al Austin Fund at the Center.

-- Juan Pedraza, Writer/Editor, University Relations, juan.pedraza@mail.und.edu, 777-6571

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Elizabeth Mjelde is 2008-09 Merrifield Competition Winner

Elizabeth Mjelde, a non-degree graduate student, has won the 2008-09 Merrifield Competition. Named in honor

of Webster Merrifield, UND's first University Librarian and President of the University from 1892 to 1909, the Merrifield Competition awards a \$1,500 scholarship and recognizes outstanding student research using historic documents from the Chester Fritz Library's Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections. A generous grant from the UND Alumni Association and Foundation enables the Library to hold this annual competition.

In May 2009, a five-member jury reviewed the research papers submitted for the 2008-09 Competition. Jury members included Curt Hanson, Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections; Susan Koprince, English; Brad Myers, Law; Cynthia Prescott, History; and Lana Rakow, Communications and the Center for Community Engagement. The jury judged the papers on quality of research, clarity of thesis and conclusion, writing skill, and the investigation of primary sources.

Elizabeth Mjelde's winning paper, "The Nonpartisan Leader and Political Struggle: 'How about it, sister farm women?'" examined women's history through the lens of the official newspaper of the Nonpartisan League. A native of northwest Minnesota, Mjelde received a B.A. in Art History and a graduate certificate in Museum Studies from Cal State Long Beach, and an M.A. in Art History from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Her research interests include illustrated British travel literature of the nineteenth century, agrarian radicalism, and women artists.

-- Curt Hanson, Head, Department of Special Collections, Chester Fritz Library, curthanson@mail.und.edu, 7-4626

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UND anthropologist, human rights expert to work in Brazil with tribal, human rights leaders

UND anthropologist Marcia Mikulak is set for a human rights mission to Brazil, where she'll work closely with the beleaguered Xukuru tribe and its elected chief Marcos Luidson de Araújo, also known as Marcos Xukuru.

Mikulak, who is an associate professor in the UND College of Arts and Sciences Department of Anthropology, will work from her research site in Pernambuco, Brazil, with the Xukuru (Shoo-koo-roo) tribe in the village of Pesqueira, in the northeastern Brazilian state of Pernambuco.

"This is a continuation of the work that I did under a UND Arts, Humanities, and Social Science internal grant last year," said Mikulak, a concert-pianist-turned-anthropologist who speaks fluent Portuguese. Mikulak, who also works with the Grand Forks Community Violence Intervention Center, said this year's mission to Brazil is part of her academic developmental leave.

"My work this year will provide for a prolonged period of uninterrupted social-action research with Marcos Xukuru, other tribal leaders, and several non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to develop clear guidelines for identifying culturally important human rights abuses experienced by the Xukuru," she said. This research project will include collaboration with Joseph Mandala, a UND student of international human rights law at the School of Law and a Master of Public Administration candidate.

"I will work closely with the Xukuru and with the Center for Research and Support for the Development of Rural and Urban Environments, a Brazilian NGO located in Recife, Brazil. CPAD is working with several Brazilian tribes on land rights litigation and civil cases. Mikulak also will be working closely with the Recife-based Indianist Missionary Council (Conselho Indigenista Missionário), a human rights group working specifically with the Xukuru tribe.

"My expertise will help them to identify human rights as cultural rights, and Mr. Mandala's research will provide

them with specifics on indigenous international human rights cases," Mikulak said. "Joseph and I will develop strategies that assist in promoting and protecting the fundamental freedoms and human rights of the Xukuru people from a clearly identified cultural rights platform."

The major challenge is that the Xukuru tribe (as well as indigenous tribes elsewhere) struggles to find legal recourses for over 36 individual civil indictments against tribal leaders who campaign for the development and support of their basic human rights, Mikulak said. These rights include the culturally appropriate education, health care, and environmental rights.

"A common strategy of the Brazilian government is to drain the meager financial resources of tribes as they struggle to provide legal representation for tribal leaders under indictments," Mikulak said. "Research will produce a rich body of data, both qualitative and quantitative, on the social activism of the Xukuru tribe, and will identify how the recently ratified UN Charter on Indigenous Rights can be effectively used to improve their quality of life."

"My research will assist in current tribal activism and expand activities such that current civil cases and human rights abuses are clearly articulated from an international cultural human rights perspective," Mikuklak said. Additionally, she plans to visit several Brazilian universities to encourage study abroad programs between those schools and UND.

"While in Brazil, I will present my work to students in primary, secondary, and university settings, encouraging awareness of the value of Indigenous peoples and their cultures," Mikulak said. "Presentations in primary, secondary, and university settings in North Dakota are also considered an important contribution of this research, with a goal to expand and enrich students understanding of diversity and its benefits."

-- Juan Pedraza, Writer/Editor, University Relations, juan.pedraza@mail.und.edu, 777-6571

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University Senate elects its 2009-2010 leadership

Kathy Smart (Teaching and Learning) was elected 2009-10 vice chair/chair elect of the University Senate at the body's Sept. 3 meeting. Wendelin Hume (Criminal Justice) is the 2009-10 University Senate Chair. Suzanne Anderson (registrar) is secretary.

Royce Blackburn (Music) and Ann Flower (Microbiology) were elected for two-year terms as faculty representatives on the Committee on Committees.

Michele Iiams (Math) was elected to a two-year term as faculty representative, and student body president, Tyrone Grandstrand, was elected to a one-year term as student representative on the Senate Executive Committee. The Executive Committee, which establishes the agenda for meetings of the University Senate and acts in the Senate's place when necessary between Senate meetings, also includes Senate Chair, Wendelin Hume (Criminal Justice); Senate Vice Chair/Chair Elect, Kathy Smart (Teaching and Learning); Senate Secretary, Suzanne Anderson (Registrar); Senate immediate past chair, Jon Jackson (Anatomy); faculty representative, Curt Stofferahn (Sociology); Council of College Faculties representative, Doug Munski (Geology); and Paul LeBel, Provost.

-- Lori Hofland, Administrative Assistant, Registrars Office, lorihofland@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3892

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Faculty representative applications sought for MAC

The Multicultural Awareness Committee (MAC), a standing committee of Student Government, is currently accepting applications for the faculty representative position.

The purpose of MAC is to increase awareness and understanding of different cultures of the world, especially those that are represented in the University community.

The Goals and mission statement of MAC can be found at
<http://sg.und.edu/standing-committees/mac/constitution.html>

The faculty representative is a voting member, and along with all MAC members, is expected to attend weekly MAC meetings every Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Interested faculty should submit their CVs by 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18, either by email to the chair of MAC (anura.wickramaratne@und.edu) or hand them to the Student Government Office addressed to MAC.
-- Anura Wickramaratne, Chair, Multicultural Awareness Committee, anura.wickramaratne@und.edu, 701-645-1827

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Alumni Review receives National American Graphic Design award

The spring Foodies issue of the Alumni Review recently won the 2009 National American Graphic Design award. Congratulations to Alumni Review graphic designer Kirsten Gunnarson on this achievement.
-- Leanna Ihry, Editor/Media Relations Coordinator, Alumni Review, leannai@undalumni.net, 777-0831

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University Within the University (U2) lists new classes

Microsoft Office Word 2007 (Beginning)
Sept. 14, 16, 17, 9 to 11:30 a.m., Upson II, Room 361
Prerequisite: Basic understanding of computers, mouse, and file saving and retrieving skills.
Upon successful completion of this course, participants will be able to create a basic document by using Microsoft Word; edit documents by locating and modifying text; format text; format paragraphs; add tables to a document; add graphic elements to a document; control a document's page setup and its overall appearance; and proof documents to make them more accurate. Presenter: Heidi Strande.

ABC's of Fire Extinguisher Use
Sept. 14, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Campus Safety and Security, Conference Room
This class will describe the different types of fire extinguishers, what the rating system used on extinguishers means, when to consider using a fire extinguisher and class participants will be given the opportunity to use an extinguisher in a controlled setting. Information gained in this class will be applicable to the work place, home and motor vehicles. Presenter: Eric Pearson

RefWorks Citation Manager
Sept. 15, 6 to 7 p.m. or Sept. 16, 2 to 3 p.m., Chester Fritz Library, Room 108
Setting up and basic use of RefWorks citation management accounts. RefWorks is an online citation management system that is available to all UND faculty, students and staff. Store all your citations in one place and create bibliographies in minutes automatically formatted in popular writing and journal style guides (APA, MLA, Chicago, etc.) Presenters: Sandi Bates and Victor Lieberman

Be Well: New Wellness Program and You
Sept. 16, 2 to 3 p.m., Wellness Center, Room 120-121
Discover how to participate in the BCBSND MyHealthCenter and the Health Club Credit programs. We will jump start you on your way to becoming active in the program, understanding the benefits and learning how you can earn up to \$250 in incentives by building a healthier you. Presenter: Kim Ruliffson

Defensive Driving

Sept. 17, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., Swanson Hall, Room 10-12

This workshop is required by State Fleet for all UND employees who drive State Fleet vehicles on a regular (monthly) basis, received a traffic violation, or had an accident while operating a State Fleet vehicle. Employees are encouraged to bring a family member (spouse and/or dependents). This workshop may also reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly remove points from your driving record. Presenter: Tom Brockling

An Apple a Day is Not Enough

Sept. 21, 12:10 to 12:50 p.m., Brown Bag Lunch Session, Memorial Union, Badlands Room or Sept. 22, 5 to 5:40 p.m., Wellness Center, Room 121

Parents have been telling children for years to finish their fruits and vegetables. Have YOU listened to that advice? Join us as we learn about the proper daily recommendations for fruits and vegetables, why they are so good for us, and easy ways to incorporate them into our everyday lives. MyHealthCenter points will be given for participating in this session. Presenter: Karina Wittmann

Budgets Overview Inquiry

Sept. 21, 2 to 4 p.m., Gamble Hall, Lanterman Center, Room 9

Prerequisite: PeopleSoft user ID and password for Finance Module, a local fund number, and/or an appropriated fund number. This training provides the tools necessary to navigate through PeopleSoft to find your department's budget and cash balance; utilize PeopleSoft to track your department's budget, cash, revenue, and expenditures; and complete a budget journal. The session also includes hands-on practice activities. Presenter: Shannon Smidt.

Licensed Logo Vendors

Sept. 22, 9 to 10 a.m., Memorial Union, Presidents Room

Step-by-step instructions for ordering trademarked items. Presenter: Sara Satter

GroupWise 7.0: Intermediate

Sept. 22, 1 to 4 p.m., Upson II, Room 361

Students will work with advanced message options; set mail properties; customize message headers; use Web Access interface; create and use rules to automate e-mail responses; set access rights; and work in depth with the Junk Mail folder and archive feature. Presenter: Heidi Strande.

E-mail management

Sept. 23, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Swanson Hall, Room 17

Whenever records management is brought up, e-mail and the issues surrounding it, are topics for conversation. Come and learn how we manage this valuable resource here at the University of North Dakota. Presenter: Christopher Flynn

The Four Agreements: A Practical Guide to Personal

Freedom Sept. 23, noon to 1 p.m., Brown Bag Lunch Session, Memorial Union, Swanson 16-18

This class will introduce the book, The Four Agreements: A Practical Guide to Personal Freedom, by Don Miguel Ruiz. In four simple principles (agreements) Ruiz describes how our attitude toward life situations and relationships shapes our experience. Do you want your life to be easier and more positive? Then “don’t take anything personally.” Often self-help books present good ideas which are hard to put into practice. This class will suggest simple ways to use the agreements in both work and home settings. This is a great way to manage intra- and interpersonal conflict. Presenter: Gretchen Graf

Safe Online Practices—Protecting Your Identity and Securing Your Computer

Sept. 24, 9 to 11:30 a.m., Upson II, Room 361

The Internet can provide a wealth of information and give access to valuable financial, business, educational, and entertainment services. However, when connected to the Internet, you and your computer become vulnerable to scammers, identity thieves, viruses, spyware and more. This workshop will provide the information needed to help you protect your identity and computer while online. Presenter: Brad Miller.

-- Patricia Young, U2 Coordinator, Continuing Education, u2@mail.und.edu, 777-0720

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The AAUW is collecting used books and media materials

The AAUW is collecting books and working CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, records, and games now through mid-October. Please drop them off at: 2420 9th Avenue North in Grand Forks, or call one of the following numbers: 772-0247, 772-1622, or 795-9808.

-- Gordon Iseminger, Professor, History, gordoniseminger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2688

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Consider using duplicating services for copies and handouts

When copying your classroom, University Related materials or office handouts, consider using Duplicating Services if you aren't already.

The cost for black copies run on white paper is \$.018 which is lower than any copier you may have in your office and you don't even have to leave your desk. You can electronically submit your order using our online job form at our website (www.duplicating.und.edu). Most jobs submitted will have a turnaround time of half a day.

We also offer a variety of size, weight, colored paper and finishing options. Also offered is full color copies and wide format printing.

-- Duplicating Services, 777-5088, duplicating@mail.und.edu

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Staff Senate announces September U-Shine award winner

UND Staff Senate is proud to announce the September "U Shine Award" recipient Tatjyana Richards, Office of International Programs. Tatjyana was nominated by William Young and was presented with a check for \$50 and a certificate by Staff Senate president Loren Liepold on Sept. 2.

This award is presented monthly to a UND staff member who went out of their way to make UND a better place. Here is an excerpt of what Young had to say about Tatjyana:

"Tatjyana is the Office Manager at the Office of International Programs and the glue that holds the International Centre together.

As the central figure at the Office of International Programs, Tatjyana's professionalism and personal touch impacts not only the staff of the International Centre, but more than 1,000 undergraduate and graduate international students, professors, research scholars, medical residents, professional staff, as well as more than 200 American students seeking to study abroad in foreign lands each year.

She is always the first person to volunteer to assist with the numerous international gatherings at UND, including the coordination of a meeting place, purchase of food, preparation of the food, setting up of

decorations, and the serving of food and drinks. This summer, Tatjyana accepted responsibilities as temporary International Student Advisor (in addition to her duties as the Office Manager) and she will continue in both positions until sometime in September, 2009. She has also found time to serve on the hiring committee for the new Finance Associate for the International Centre and two new international Student Advisors.

Tatjyana has a great attitude towards the mission of the International Centre-to build bridges between cultures and to support international education. Her smile, knowledge, and can-do demeanor goes a long way in assisting international students, faculty, and dependents at UND, as well as those American students that seek to study overseas. She is usually the first one to work and the last one to leave. She has made herself a key component in every section of the Office of International Programs. She truly deserves the U-Shine Award.”

-- Shari K. Nelson, Assistant Director of Learning Services, Student Success Center,
sharinelson@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2117

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New service will enhance faculty research and student papers

RefWorks is new to the UND campus for the 2009-10 academic year. This internet-based software is similar to EndNote or Research Manager. The database will store your research citations. Another feature called Write-N-Cite, will format the in-text references and create a works cited page in more than 1,200 styles.

For a demonstration, to sign up for an account, and to view tutorials, visit
<https://www.refworks.com/Refworks/login.asp?WNCLang=false>

Students, faculty and staff can attend training sessions held at Chester Fritz Library or we can schedule one in your Department. Sign up for one of these September training sessions in the Library:
http://www.library.und.edu/about/refworks/refworks_classes.htm

-- Wilbur Stolt, Director of Libraries, Chester Fritz Library, wilburstolt@mail.und.edu, 777-2189

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The Community Music Program offers lessons for adults and pre-school children

The UND Community Music Program is again offering voice lessons for beginners to adults. The lessons are scheduled at the convenience of the student and instructor.

Musiktanz classes for ages 15 months to 5 1/2 begin Sept. 14 in the Hughes Fine Arts Center, room 258. Musiktanz is a curriculum developed by Lorna Lutz Heyge, an internationally recognized author and early childhood music educator. She is the founder of Kindermusik and author of the early childhood curriculum, "Cycle of Seasons." In the Musiktanz program the teacher acts as a role model to assist the parents/care givers in working musically with their children. The parents/care givers attend the children's lessons and participate with them in classes comprised of a variety of developmentally appropriate musical activities including singing, moving, playing, creating, and listening. Emphasis in these classes is on having fun while building musical skills and developing a love of music. Moreover, research has shown that participation in such programs may improve skills tied to academic success as well.

Level I (Ages 15 months - 3 years) meets at 6 p.m. on Monday nights.

Level II (Ages 3 years - kindergarten) meets at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights.

Both classes meet for half an hour, ten times during the semester. They are taught by an experienced music teacher. Cost for each level is \$65 per semester.

For more information or to register, call 777-2830 and ask for KariJo.
-- Barbara Lewis, Associate Professor of Music Education, Music, barbara.lewis@und.nodak.edu, 777-2820

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ND State Fleet reservation system is updated

The North Dakota State Fleet has updated its software used to reserve and dispatch vehicles.

When calling to reserve a vehicle, a one time user set up will be required. Please have the following information available:

- Name
- EMPLID
- Work Phone Number
- E-Mail Address
- Driver's License Expiration Date

We will not be able to reserve a vehicle for the driver if this information is not given to us.

Also, for departments who reserve vehicles from sites other than UND, please give the dispatcher the following information. The old four digit cost center number is no longer valid.

- Business Unit: 23000 (stands for UND)
- Department ID: your four digit department number
- Project ID: your ten digit project number (if applicable)
- Activity ID: your five digit fund number
- Resource Type: your five digit program number (if applicable)

Thank you for your help with this conversion.
-- Mary L. Metcalf, Manager, Transportation, marymetcalf@mail.und.edu, 777-4123

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NWA annouces baggage handling surcharge fees

Customers who have purchased NWA tickets on or after July 16, for travel on or after Aug. 4, or customers traveling domestically who pre-pay baggage fees on NWA.com will be charged \$15 for the first checked bag and \$25 for the second checked bag. Customers traveling domestically who check in and pay bag fees at an airport kiosk or with an agent will incur \$5 surcharge for the first and second checked bags.

Reminder: UND will pay for the first checked piece of luggage and any surcharge with proof of payment. UND will not reimburse for the second or any additional baggage without proper justification.

Any questions, please contact Bonnie at 777-2966
-- Carl Iseminger, Accounting Services Assistant, Accounting Services, carliseminger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4131

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Internal job openings listed

The following position vacancies are available only to regular UND staff employees who have successfully completed their six-month probation period, earn annual and sick leave, receive BC/BS health insurance and TIAA-CREF or ND PERS retirement benefits. Current UND faculty, please contact Human Resources for

eligibility.

To apply: Please complete UND Application/Control Card form. Send letter of application and resume, referencing position name and number, to: Human Resources, University of North Dakota, Twamley Hall, Room 313, 264 Centennial Drive Stop 8010 Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Applications must be received by the deadline date.

Professional/Administrative/Coaches:

Position: Database Administrator, ITSS, #10-076

Application deadline: 9/9/2009

Compensation: \$42,000 plus/year

Position: Workforce Specialist, Center for Rural Health, #10-075

Application deadline: 9/9/2009

Compensation: \$52,000 plus/year

Position: Server Administrator, ITSS, #10-074

Application deadline: 9/9/2009

Compensation: \$40,000 plus/year

Position: Assistant to the Dean, External Relations, CoBPA, #10-069

Application deadline: 9/08/2009

Compensation: \$45,000 plus/year

Technical/Paraprofessional:

Position: Union Services Assistant (Benefitted, 20hrs/wk), Memorial Union, #10-078

Application deadline: 9/11/2009

Compensation: \$12.00 plus/hour

Position: Grant and Account Associate, Student Financial Aid, #10-070

Application deadline: 9/10/2009

Compensation: \$26,000 plus/year

Office Support: no vacancies

Position: Telecom Support Specialist, Telecommunications/ITSS, #10-077

Application deadline: 9/10/2009

Compensation: \$22,000 plus/year

Position: Administrative Assistant, Research Development and Compliance, #10-042

Application deadline: 9/11/2009

Compensation: \$32,000 plus/year

Crafts/Trades/Service:

Position: Building Services Technician (Mon-Fri, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Facilities/Housing, #10-073

Application deadline: 9/08/2009

Compensation: \$20,000 plus/year

Position: Dining Room Attendant (variable schedule), Dining Services, #10-072

Application deadline: 9/11/2009

Compensation: \$8.90 plus/hour

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Senate Scholarly Activities Committee announces grant application deadlines

Tuesday, Sept. 15 is the first deadline for submission of applications to the Senate Scholarly Activities Committee (SSAC). The Committee will consider requests from faculty members to support travel associated with the presentation of scholarly papers. Travel requests will be considered only for travel to be completed between Sept. 16 and Jan. 15, 2010. The Committee will not provide funds for travel already completed. However, awards can be made contingent on receipt of a letter of acceptance from the meeting at which a paper is to be presented or a program listing the applicant among the presenters. Therefore, if you will be traveling during the specified dates, but do not yet have a letter of acceptance, please submit your application at this time. If an award is made, it will be set up for you after you submit proper evidence of acceptance for presentation. No other applications will be considered at that time.

Please note: Due to limited funding available for Senate Scholarly Activities Committee awards at this time, the Committee may make awards based on the following criteria: official notice of presentation, number of SSAC awards previously received by the applicant, and years at UND (new faculty and first-time applicants are given priority).

The second deadline for submission of applications is Thursday, Oct. 15. Only Research/Creative Activity or Publication applications will be considered at that time.

The third deadline for submission of applications is Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. Travel applications will be considered at that time only for travel that will occur between Jan 16, 2010, and April 30, 2010. No other applications will be considered at that time.

The fourth deadline for submission of applications is Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2010. Research/Creative Activity and Publication grant applications as well as applications for New Faculty Scholar Awards will be considered at that time. No travel applications will be considered at that time.

Friday, April 30, 2010, is the final deadline for submission of travel grant applications. This deadline is for travel occurring between May 1, 2010, and Sept. 15, 2010. No other applications will be considered at that time.

The Committee reminds applicants to carefully prepare their proposals and be specific and realistic in their budget requests. The proposal should be written with a multidisciplinary readership in mind. Avoid technical jargon and undefined abbreviations. Although the SSAC encourages submission of research/creative activity proposals and travel/publication requests, the Committee takes into consideration the most recent SSAC awards granted to each applicant. Priority will be given to beginning faculty and first-time applicants. Requests for research/creative activity awards may not exceed \$2,500. The Committee receives requests for funding that far exceed funds available for awards; therefore, please prepare your application carefully.

Application forms are available at Research Development and Compliance (RD&C), 105 Twamley, 777-4278, or on RD&C's Homepage (on UND's Homepage under "Research"). A properly signed original and eleven copies of the application must be submitted to RD&C prior to or on the published deadline. Late applications will not be

accepted. Applications that are not prepared in accordance with the directions on the forms will not be considered by the Committee. Please feel free to contact any of the current SSAC members for information or guidance when preparing your application. Their names, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses are available on RD&C's Homepage or by calling RD&C at 777-4278.

-- *Frank P. Cuzzo, Vice Chair, Senate Scholarly Activities Committee, Anthropology,*
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